

**Milwaukee Public Schools
High School Academic Vocabulary**

Reading

| Grade 9 | | Grade 10 | |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| according | mostly | allegory | stereotype |
| active listening | motivation | ambiguity | subgenre |
| allegory | narration | archetype | syntax |
| allusion | narrator | assonance | understatement |
| analysis | nonfiction | censorship | vernacular |
| anecdote | opinion | complexities | vocative |
| answer | organized | concept | voice |
| antagonist | passage | conceptual map | |
| antecedent | personification | connotative | |
| appeals | probably | context | |
| article | protagonist | contrasting expression | |
| author | purpose | copyright | |
| author's purpose | recurring themes | counterclaim | |
| belongs | refers | credibility | |
| best describes | relationship | credible sources | |
| capture | replace | criteria | |
| carefully | represent | cultural agency | |
| character | resembles | cultural expression | |
| citation | problem | cultural influence | |
| coherence | skills | cultural nuance | |
| connotation | sonnet | cultural perspective | |
| context credibility | support | cultural theme | |
| data gathering | support your | denotative | |
| denotation | supporting | editorial | |
| describe | thesaurus entry | etymology | |
| descriptive | thoroughly | explicit | |
| details | tone | idiom | |
| diagram | type of conflict | implicit | |
| dialect | word choice | incongruity | |
| dialogue | | inconsistencies | |
| diction | | juxtaposition | |
| dictionary | | literary analysis | |
| entry | | logical fallacy | |
| epic | | lyric | |
| events | | paradox | |
| examples | | parallelism | |
| excerpt | | paraphrasing | |
| explain | | persona | |
| expression | | perspective | |
| figurative language | | precis | |
| genre | | primary source | |
| heading | | primary sources | |
| information | | provocative | |
| irony | | rebuttal | |
| mainly | | rhetoric | |
| mistake | | root | |
| monologue | | satire | |
| mood | | secondary source | |
| most important | | semantics | |
| most likely | | sentence fluency | |

| Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
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| aesthetic purpose argumentation ballad clarity of meaning emotional appeal ethics excerpt expression external/internal conflict filter image interior monologue irony literary analysis literary criticism literary device media-generated memorandum methodology multimedia multiple points of view narrator negotiate norm nuance passage presentations reflective essay relationship resembles rhetorical purpose study strategies style synthesis textual evidence thesaurus entry | acronym allusion analogy articulation bias boldface capture characterization cognate concept connotative meaning context clues create credibility criteria denotative meaning diagram entry evaluate explain irony literary device passage philosophical primary source propaganda purpose readability resembles rhetorical device rhetorical questions secondary source sociocultural context structural analysis subvocalize text feature text structure textual evidence understatement universal theme visual text word reference |